EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported statement of Sri Lankan Minister, Mr. Ranjan Wijeratne recently on Sri Lankan Tamil refugees in India and blaming the Government of India for not fulfilling the accord;

(b) whether the Sri Lankan Minister also accused Government for not taking back over one lakh Tamil nationals of Indian origin and thereby flouting Shastri-Srimavo Accord; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir, the Government has been the statements made by the Sri Lankan Minister but no formal approach for discussions has been made so far.

Security Risk of Pepsi

1563. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Intelligence Bureau was asked by Government to evaluate the security risk in having Pepsi operate in Punjab while their proposal was being considered ;

(b) if so, whether the Intelligence Bureau has given its consent; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, whether Government would now ask the Intelligence Bureau to evaluate this aspect and submit its report ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Irregularities in Irrigation and Flood Control Department of Delhi Administration

1564. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Technical Examiner of the Central Vigilance Commission had detected and reported large number of irregularities in the works of Irrigation and Flood Control Department of Delhi Administration; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any engineer has been held responsible for such lapses; if so, what action has been taken against them ;

(c) whether the C.T.E. detected and reported far excessive overpayment for works; if so, what is the amount of such payments; and

(d) what action has been taken to recover the excess amount paid to contractors and against the engineers responsible for such excessive payments ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY) : (a) As per information received from Delhi Administration, the Chief Technical Examiner on the Central Vigilance Commission had, brought to their notice about 22 cases of Irrigation and Flood control Department wherein certain irregularities were pointed out. The irregularities were non-observance of proper procedure for inviting tenders, excess payments to contractors bifurcatning/splitting up the works so, as to bring them within the sanctioning limits, executing the works through work-order basis without calling tenders etc.

(b) After completion of preliminary investigation into one case

departmental action has been initiated against the delinquent engineers.

(c) Yes, Sir. An amount of Rs. 7,68,000/- (approximately) is alleged to have been over-paid in 3 cases.

(d) After completion of preliminary investigation into one case the Chief Vigilance Commissioner has advised for major penalty proceedings against the concerned Superintending Engineer and minor penalty proceedings against the concerned Surveyor of works. In addition, action against the contractor for recovery of alleged over-payments has also been initiated.

Smuggling of Boys and Girls from Bangladesh

1565. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that young boys and girls are smuggled into India from Bangladesh border for immoral purposes; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) The Government is aware that young women/girls are being smuggled into India across the Indo-Bangladesh border. However, no such case of smuggling of boys has come in notice.

(b) During the year 1989, three such cases involving 25 women/girls were detected.

During the year 1990 (upto 15-5-90) one such case was detected involving six women/girls.

All the four cases have been registered with the local Police.

देश में बाई-पासों के लिए स्वीकृति देने में विलम्ब

1566. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या इंदौर में बाई-पास के निर्माण की स्वीकृति दिये जाने के लिये मध्य प्रदेश के मुख्य अभियन्ता ने दिनांक 26 अगस्त, 1989 के अपने पत्र सं० 1110/एम.एच /आर०/89 द्वारा 3864 करोड़ रुपये का प्राक्कलन भारत सरकार को भेजा था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसे कब तक स्वीकृति दे दी जायेगी ;

(ग) बड़े शहरों में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों पर बाई पास के निर्माण की स्वीकृति देने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या मापदंड अपनाये जाते हैं; और

(घ) क्या यह सच है कि छोटे शहरों के लिये, जहां दुर्घटनाओं की संख्या नगण्य होती है, आसानी से स्वीकृति दे दी जाती है जबकि बड़े शहरों के लिये, जहां प्रायः प्रतिदिन लोग दुर्घटनाओं में मारे जाते हैं, स्वीकृति देने में अनावश्यक विलम्ब किया जाता है?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री (श्री के० पी० उन्नी कृष्णन) :(क) और (ख) मुख्य अभियन्ता, लोक निर्माण विभाग, मध्य प्रदेश ने इंदौर के चारों ओर बाई पास के निर्माण के लिये 38.64 करोड़ रु. का प्राक्कलन भेज है। राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग–3 पर इंदौर सिटी के चारों ओर 42.45 करोड़ रु. की अनुमानित लागत पर 31.4 कि०मी० लम्बे प्रस्तावित बाई पास के प्रस्तावों को वित्तीय सहायता के लिये विश्व बैंक के समक्ष रखा गया है । विश्व बैंक को अभी अंतिम निर्णय लेना है । अतः अभी परियोजना को